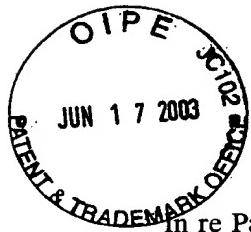


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Yasushi SHIGEMORI et al.

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) NON-FEE AMENDMENT  
Group Art Unit: 1637  
Examiner: Teresa E. Strzelecka  
Confirmation No.: 9938

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is an Amendment and Reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed are the following: a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 9, 2002, an Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO Form 1449 citing one reference, and a Request for Approval of Drawing Changes with 9 sheets of drawings marked in red.
- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$375.00 (2801) [ ] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

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- [ ] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- [ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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[ ] A claim fee in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

[ ] Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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Sir:

Enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and accompanying form PTO-1449 for the above-identified patent application.

- No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required.  
 The fee of \$180.00 (1806) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed.  
 A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is also enclosed.  
 A statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and the fee of \$180.00 (1806) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) are also enclosed.  
 Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.  
 A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner's approval is respectfully requested for the proposed changes to Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10, 12 and 13 shown in red ink on the accompanying copies, wherein the figure designations have been amended to correspond with the changes to the brief description of the drawings.

Upon approval of this Request, the changes will be implemented by the submission of corrected drawings.

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